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*“For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given,  
and the government will  
be on his shoulders. And he  
will be called Wonderful  
Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace.”*  
Isaiah 9:6

### **I. The Darkness of Rejection (Isa. 8:18 – 22)**

- A. In time of distress people seek wisdom from wrong sources – rejecting truth (vs. 18,19)
- B. The truth – “To the law and to the testimony!” (vs. 20)
- C. Those who turn from God find hopelessness and fear – “utter darkness” (vs. 21,22)
- D. It is in dark times, that the Lord promises a great gift to come!

### **II. The Dawning of Light (Isa. 9:2 - 5)**

- A. Those “walking in darkness” and “living in the land of deep darkness”  
(shadow of death – gates of death)
- B. “Seen a great light” and “a light has dawned”
- C. Great joy because of a great nation
- D. Great victory like Midian’s defeat (Gideon - Jud. 7)

### **III. Defining the Light (Isa. 9:6; 11:1-5)**

- A. A child/Son is born a stump of Jesse (Father of Kind David) ! (Isa. 9:6a,11:1)
- B. The government will be upon his shoulders (David Covenant)
- C. He shall be called: - #1 Wonderful Counselor
  - 1. “Wonderful” = *pele’* – a) highest/greatest and b) supernatural awe (Ex. 15; Ps. 139:6; Job 42:3)
  - 2. “Counselor” = *ya’ats* – to advise, guide, and give wisdom
- D. Jesus as our “Wonderful Counselor”
  - 1. He is in close counsel with The Father (seven aspects of the Spirit of God) (Isa. 11:2 - 5)
  - 2. He is in close counsel with our struggles (Heb. 4:15; Ps. 139:13,14)
  - 3. He will guide us in our future path (Ps. 32:7-8; Heb. 11:33,34)
  - 4. His word and way are our example (Col. 2:3)